

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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Examiner: Smith, M.

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For: Application Server-Centric Quality of Service  
Management in Network Communications

ATTN: Office of Petitions (*Via EFS-Web*)

Commissioner for Patents

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**PETITION TO DEFER ISSUANCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.314**

Sir:

The Applicant hereby requests the Office to defer issuance of U.S. Pat. Appln Ser. No. 10/648,592 ("subject application") as a patent for a period of at least one week but no longer than one month so that the Applicant has time to collect data for filing a continuation application of the subject application. According to the USPTO's Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system, as of May 4, 2010, the subject application had not yet been assigned a patent number or an issue date. The appropriate fee set forth in § 1.17(h) is being submitted concurrently with this petition.

Based on the foregoing, it respectfully submitted that the Applicant has shown good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary to defer issuance of the subject application as a patent as requested. The Office of Petitions is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is believed that such contact would further the consideration of this petition. To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortages or credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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